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"And they cried, The Sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judges 7:20.

Is Jesus Christ the Son of God? ZEOLI BEFORE AND AFTER; ONCE A GANGSTER, NOW AN EVANGELIST

BY ANTHONY ZEOLI

We are now living in a day when preachers and church members are denying the deity of our Lord Je-Christ. Even our colleges and our high schools are denying this blessed truth.

Yes, and even in some of our religious institutions this truth is mocked and scoffed at. May God institutions use this book to open the eyes of some one who has been blinded by Satan—and his lie.

The Virgin Birth

Folks today are saying, "What difference does it make if I believe or believe not in the Virgin Birth of Christ?"

Why, it makes all the difference in the world! One cannot be a Christian and deny this blessed

Let us see what difference it would make were not Christ virgin

The Difference It Would Make If Christ were not virgin born then Christ would be the Son of If the son of a man, He would have the nature of a man. His nature, then, would be a sinful one. Hence Christ would be a sin-ner, and a lost one, too. If a sin-ner, He can never atone for another's sin.

If Christ was not the Son of God, then He was the biggest fraud that ever lived. And that because He claimed to be God's Son. If Christ was not the Son of God then He is an illegitimate child. If this were true then Mary

and Joseph committed adultery.

If Christ was not the Son of
God He had no right to forgive
sin. Who can forgive sin but God? (Mark 2:7). The Cross of Calvary would only be a sham. His death would be the death of a fool and nothing else. His blood could never cleanse from sin.

If Christ is not the Son of God

then why does the whole world celebrate Christmas? Are we wor. shipping a child who was born out of wedlock? Would not this child be a bastard? This is what Christ would be were He not the Son of

No one can ever be saved who

No one can ever be saved who denies the deity of Christ.

"Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father" (I John 2:22, 23).

"Whosoever shall confess that Legus is the Son of God God dwell-

Jesus is the Son of God, God dwell-eth in him and he in God" (I John

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus

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— From the Christian.

HEAR ZEOLI and JOHN R. RICE on Radio WRR, 7:30 A. M. Sunday Morning.

is the Christ is born of God: and everyone that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him" (I John 5:1).

The Virgin Birth Is Rejected Because It Is Against the Law of Nature

Some folks will not believe in the Virgin Birth because they say it is against the law of nature. Then why believe in the miracles of Christ? Were they not against the law of nature? Do you believe that Christ fed 4 000 you believe that Christ fed 4 000 you believe that Christ fed 4,000 people with a few loaves and fishes? That He healed the blind and cast out denons? That He walked on the ea? That He also raised the dead? If you believe in these miracles of God why not believe in the Virgin Birth. All the above miracles were against the law of nature and yet were done by Christ. Is there any-thing too hard for God? Can we limit God, who has all power?

The Virgin Birth - Prophesied

Christ to be the seed of the woman (Gen. 3:15). Not the seed of a man but of a woman. This was fulfilled in Christ (Gal. 4:4).

Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel (Isa. 7:14). Notice that it says a Virgin shall conceive

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given (Isa. 9:6). A child was to be born, but a Son was to be given. He was a Son, before he was a child-born. He was given to us as a gift (II Cor. 9:15). God gave his only begotten Son (John 3:16).

Micah, the prophet, seven hun-dred and ten years before Christ was born, declared this birth would take place in Bethlehem (Micah

Isaiah also declared this birth

seven hundred and fifty years before the real birth took place (Isa. 7:14).

Strange Things Took Place In Connection With Christ's Birth

1. Wise men came from the East, guided by a star, to the manger (Matt. 2:1; Matt. 2:9-11).

2. Angels praised God when this

birth was announced to the world (Luke 2:13, 14).

3. Shepherds visited the manger and found out all was true concerning the 2:8-17). the angel's statement (Luke

Christ Did Not Get His Body From Joseph

God prepared or fitted him his body (Heb. 10:5).
God did this — not Joseph.

1. He took upon him the form of a servant (Phil. 2:7). If Christ were not the Son of God He could not choose any form. But this He

2. He partook of flesh and blood (Heb. 2:14). God is a Spirit, but partook of flesh and blood to redeem us.

3. He took not on Him the na-ture of angels but took on Him the seed of Abraham (Heb. 2:16).

In none of these verses do we read that Joseph gave Christ or helped to give Christ His body. God performed this miracle. God was made man or the God-man. What a miracle that Christ could hide all His power and glory while in this body!

Christ's Birth Was Announced By An Angel

Gabriel, the angel, was sent by God to Mary to tell her she was highly favored of God and that she would conceive and bring forth a Son whose name would be Jesus (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)



Above are three pictures of the rious liberty" of the gospel of our evangelist Anthony Zeoli. The last Lord Jesus Christ. two pictures are of Anthony Zeoli, alias "Bull Mack," in 1913 and following, a thug, gangster and dope fiend, as photographed for the rogues' gallery by the Bureau of Police, Philadelphia. The first

Zeoli will speak three times Sunday, September 25th, at 11:00 a. m., 3:00 p. m., and 7:45 p. m. His rogues' gallery by the Bureau of Police, Philadelphia. The first picture is Anthony Zeoli as thousands know him today, a joyous and zealous evangelist of the "glo-

God Helping On Printing Bill

ing the \$450.00 which was borrowed and which is to be paid back December 4th. I praise the Lord that He has put it on the hearts of friends who have been blessed by this paper to corry, the messed this paper to carry the message

One Christian girl has felt defi-nitely impressed that some would like to give some regular amount each week to make up the deficit in printing cost of *The Sword of the Lord*. If you feel that this is God's plan and that He wants you to put some of His money in this work each month you may let this work each month, you may let us know. We ask no pledges, and anything one feels led to do may be stopped at any time. The work is the Lord's and He has money

Our hearts have been made happy because a good number have recently sent in offerings to help pay the printing bill of *The Sword* of the Lord. We owe the printer now less than \$300.00 not counting the \$450.00 which was her.

enough to keep it going and will do so in the future as He has in

Revivals Planned

Praying friends are asked to remember in prayer three revivals planned by the editor. From Oc-tober 4th to 16th the editor will be with the Windom Park Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, in evangelistic services. Rev. Eugene W. Anderson is the pastor. From Sunday night, October 16th, through October 31st he is to be, God willing, with the Temple Baptist Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, Bro. W. H. Murk pastor. We return then to Dallas for the first week in November with our own people. Then Monday night, November 7th, we are invited to come for a revival in the First Baptist Church of LaGrange, Texas, with Bro. J. Edward Roth pastor. We will return to Dallas then for our fall Bible School Thanksgiving week, November 20th to 27th.

This is a heavy schedule for the editor with our other duties but we are sure that kindly readers will lift us up to God and pray that we may have strength and wisdom and joy and the power of God so that hundreds of souls may be saved in these services.

The pastor's brother, Evangelist Joe B. Rice, will supply in Dallas in his absence.

hearten us, however, if you wish to tell us how much you plan to I think I should remind you

again that this work is a purely missionary work and that none of us workers here in Dallas get a penny of income from The Sword of the Lord. All the money that comes in for subscriptions and advertising does not pay the print-ing cost and the postage on the paper. Offerings from our church people and from outsiders take care of the editor and the workers. The paper pays no rent, pays no salaries. And the same is true about The Sword Book Room. There is not a great deal of profit in selling religious books, but last year enough profit was made to pay several weeks printing of *The* Sword of the Lord, and was used for that purpose. Not a single penny of money that came from selling books, Bibles and mottoes was used to pay workers nor to care for our needs. Money that came from the sale of books paid came from the sale of books paid for the books themselves, and any profit went to help pay the printing expenses of *The Sword of the Lord*. We have three separate funds that are very carefully kept, *The Sword of the Lord* bank account, The Sword Book Room bank account, and a treet fund. account, and a tract fund. Any money for tracts is used in printing others and thousands are given away. All money from *The Sword* of the Lord, subscriptions and advertising is used on printing bill and postage. All profit from The Sword Book Room is likewise used on printing and postage for The on printing and postage for The Sword of the Lord. The workers live by the free will offerings of God's people entirely separate. Then it is the editor's privilege to make up the deficit that still exists from time to time the best he can. I am sure that many of you wish it to be so and that you will help me.

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At 3:00 p.m. Sunday, Bro. Zeoli will preach on "Hell Turned Loose, or Are People Actually Demon Possessed in Dallas?"

Sunday night at 7:45, the big night of the revival, Bro. Zeoli will tell the wonderful story of his life. He will tell how after nine years as a dope fiend, six years behind prison bars, and he says, with murder in his heart, he was

gloriously saved. God answered the prayers of a fervent praying sis-ter. A colored boy won him to Christ in Eastern State Penitentiary at Philadelphia. He will tell of how he, having gone only to the fifth grade in school, was led of God to enter the ministry and has never had but three months of training since that time. You will marvel at the grace of God. All the seats we can pack God. All the seats we can pack into the auditorium of the tabernacle will be used and we urge all who expect to hear to come early. It may be that in the Sun-day School section back of the auditorium we will have to arrange seats for those who wish to hear, whether they see the speaker or

Monday night, the closing night of the revival, Bröther Zeoli will speak on "Romanism." He was a Roman Catholic and has well learned how to win Roman Catholic and Catholic an olics to Christ using their own Bible, the Douay version.

ble, the Douay version. He has won many Catholics to Christ.
We expect a great crowd, possibly a tabernacle jammed full, to hear that Monday night and closing message of Brother Zeoli.
Then he, with Mrs. Zeoli and littel Billy, leave for Los Angeles where the following Sunday morning he is to begin services in The Church of the Open Door.

Is Jesus Christ the Son of God?

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

(Luke 1:26-33). His name tells us who He is. He is a Saviour.

Mary could not understand how this conception could take place, as she was yet a virgin.

Then said Mary unto the angel,

"How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?" (Luke 1:34). Please notice that Mary did not understand how she could have a child when she had never known a

The Angel Explains to Mary the Birth or Conception

The angel answered and said un-to her, "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that Holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God" (Luke 1:

35).
The angel said Mary had noth-

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From Pomeroy, Iowa; Lanesboro, Minnesota; Sterling, Illinois; Fayette, Iowa; Skaneateles, New York; and St. James, Minnesota, come decision slips taken from the booklet, What Must I Do To Be Saved? Thousands of these book lets were given away to radio listeners when the editor was in the Waterloo Revival. We thank God that He has used them to make the plan of salvation clear and to cause some to decide for Christ and to let us hear from them. We trust there have been others saved whom we will meet in Heaven whether we ever hear, down here, about their salvation. The decision statement on page sixteen of the booklet says:

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ing to do with this birth. God was going to do it all. And all by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Joseph Was Trouble About Mary's Condition

Joseph saw that Mary was to have a child and was ashamed of her and wanted to put her away privately, not knowing this was a

miracle of God. But the Lord spoke to Joseph while he was troubled. "But while he thought on these things, behold the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream saying, Joseph, thou Son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary, thy wife, for that which is con ceived in her is of the Holy Ghost' (Matt. 1:20).

He was to be called Jesus and would save his people from their sins (Matt. 1:21).

All this was done that the Scriptures might be fulfilled (Matt. 1:

Then Joseph did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him and took unto him his wife" (Matt. 1:24).

Jesus Christ Was Not Begotten By Joseph

As you read the first chapter of Matthew from verses 1 to 16, you will notice that it reads that so and so begat so and so right on down to the sixteenth verse. But when we get to the eighteenth verse everything changes. The word "begat" is missing because this birth speaks of Christ's birth. He was not begotten by Joseph.

In verse 18 we read that the birth of Jesus Christ was "on this wise." That is, it was different from your birth and mine. We were shapen in iniquity and conceived in sin (Psa. 51:5). But here the Spirit of God says, "on this wise," different from any human birth.

Notice what the verse says, "Before they came together she was found with child of the Holy Ghost" (Matt. 1:18). Christ was before Joseph and Mary knew each other in the flesh as husband and wife.

Joseph Did Not Know Mary in the Flesh Until After Christ's Birth

"And Joseph knew her not until after she had brought forth her first-born son" (Matt. 1:25). No-tice the words "until after" not before — Christ was born.

Why not believe God? Why not accept Mary's and Joseph's testi-mony? No one but Christ was ever born like this. He was both God

The Virgin Birth Cannot Be Explained But it Can Be Believed

There are many things in this world we cannot explain or understand, but we can, and do, believe them. For instance, can you ex-

1. How a brown cow can eat

green grass and give white milk and yellow butter?

2. Can you explain life? Should you kill yourself because you can-

3. Should you walk in darkness because you do not know what light is?

Can you explain how a man can eat bread and that some of that bread will turn to bone, hair,

flesh, blood, etc?
5. Can you explain what radio is? Should you keep a radio out of your home because you cannot explain or understand radio?

Virgin Birth

We cannot explain the Virgin Birth because great is the mystery of Godliness. God's mystery of Christ coming in the flesh is so great that our small minds can-not explain it. It's too great to ex-plain. Thank God I believe in the Virgin Birth even though I cannot explain it. No more than I can explain God away.

Reasons Why Joseph Could Not Be the Father of Christ

1. The Conception took place while Mary was yet a virgin (Luke 1:26, 27; Matt. 1:18).

2. Mary did not know or understand how she was to be with child when the law and the content of the law and the

when she knew not a man (Luke

1:34).

3. Joseph did not understand why Mary was with child. He knew that he did not know Mary in the flesh. He knew that Mary did not know him in the flesh (Matt. 1:25).

4. The angel told Mary the child would be called the Son of the Christ Jesus is the God of the Old Testament and the God of the New and the God of gods.

1. Jehovah of Glory (Psa. 24:7-Jas. 2:1).

2. Jehovah Our Righteousness (Jer. 23:5, 6). He is our Right-

Highest (Luke 1:32). Son of the not son of Joseph. Son was to come from on high.

5. The angel said that God would give Him the throne of His Fa-ther David (Luke 1:32). His father David - not His father Joseph; the throne of David - not the throne of Joseph.

6. Christ was the seed of the woman (Gen. 2:15), and not from the seed of Joseph; then he was not Joseph's son. Christ was from the seed of the woman alone.

7. God sent His Son (Rom. 8:3) God gave His Son (John 3;16; II Cor. 9:15). It says here that God gave Christ and sent Christ. Jo-seph did not give nor send Christ. Christ is the image of the in-visible God (Col. 1:15). Christ was

the image of God and not the image of Joseph.

9. Christ is the brightness of God's glory (Heb. 1:3). When did Joseph ever show any glory? Christ did at the Mount of Transfiguration; and Paul saw some of Christ's glory and said he saw a light brighter than the noonday

10. Christ was the express image of God's person (Heb. 1:3). How could Joseph be His father?

11. Christ was without an earth-ly father and mother (Heb. 7:3).

He was God's Son (Prov. 30:4).

12. Joseph's ancestor was Jechoniah through Solomon, the son of David. God declared Jechoniah called Coniah should not have chil-dren to inherit the throne of David (Jer. 22:28-30). If Christ was the son of Joseph he could never sit on David's throne because Joseph came from the line or seed that could not sit on David's throne.
Mary's ancestry came by the son
of David called Nathan, and could sit on David's throne. Christ being the seed of the woman has a right to sit on David's throne.

13. The names given to Christ in the Bible do not apply to the son of Joseph — such as, "Everlasting Father," "The Mighty God," etc. Emmand Code and Code an etc. Emmanuel, God with us (Matt. 1:23). If Christ was God Emmanuel, with us, and was the son of Joseph, then Joseph, too, is God. But only Christ was and is God with us. This proves that Joseph is not His

14. Christ was from the beginning (John 1:1; Rev. 1:8). Joseph was not.

15. Christ was before Abraham (Jno. 8:58). Joseph was not. 16. Christ was before all things (Col. 1:17). Joseph was not.

Christ's going forth has been of old - from everlasting (Micah (2). Joseph was not. 18. Christ made all things (Jno.

1:3). Joseph did not.

19. Christ created all things in heaven and earth (Col. 1:16).

Joseph did not. 20. Christ made the worlds (Heb.

1:2). Joseph did not. Where was Joseph when Christ made all 1:2). things, the world, and everything in it?

21. Christ said God was His Fa-ther and that He alone was the to His Father, God (John 14:6).

22. Christ was God manifest in the flesh (I Tim. 3:16; Phil. 2:6, 7). 23.

23. Christ was the first born of every creature (Col. 1:15). He as existent before Joseph.

24. Christ made Himself equal

with God (Phil. 2:6, 7). Joseph could not do this.

25. Christ is the upholder of all things (Col. 1:16). Could Joseph hold the world in his hand?

26. In Christ dwelleth all the full-

ness of the Godhead (Col. 2:9) How could Christ be Joseph's son? Testimonies of the Virgin Birth

God - Gen. 3:15. 2. Isaiah — Isa. 7:14; 9:6. 3. Jeremiah — Jer. 31:22. 4. Matthew — Matt. 1:18-20; 1

25; 1:23. 5. Mark — Mark 1:1. 6. Luke — Luke 1:35.

7. John — Jno. 1:14; 20:31. 8. Paul — Rom. 1:3; Gal. 4:4. 9. Elizabeth — Luke 1:43. 10. Mary — Luke 1:46, 47.

Is The Christ of the New Testament the God of the Old Tes-

tament?

eousness (I Cor. 1:30).

3. Jehovah Above All (Psa. 97:). He that cometh from above, above all (Jno. 3:31)

4. Jehovah the First and the Last (Isa. 44:6; 48:12).

I am the first and the last (Rev.

am the beginning and the end (Rev. 1:8; 22:13).

5. Jehovah's Fellow Equal (Zeph. 13:7). He made Himself equal with

God (Phil. 2:6).
6. Jehovah the Shepherd (Isa. 40:11). Great Shepherd of the Sheep (Heb. 13:20).

7. Jehovah that made all things (Prov. 16:4). All things were made by Him (Jno. 1:3; Col. 1:16; Heb.

As the Great God and Saviour

(Hos. 1:7). Great God and Saviour (Titus 2:13).

9. God over all (Psa. 45:6, 7).
Who is over all, God blessed for

ever (Rev. 9:5). 10. As True God (Jer. 10:10) This is the true God (I Jno. 5:20).

11. As God the Judge (Eccl. 12:

14). Who shall judge the quick and the dead (II Tim. 4:1; II Cor.

5:10). 12. As Emmanuel - God with us (Isa. 7:14). Emmanuel God with us (Matt. 1:23).

13. As King of kings and Lord of Lords (Dan. 10:17). King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 17: 14)

14. As the Holy One (I Sam. 2:2). But ye denied the Holy and Just One (Acts 3:14).

15. As Lord of the Sabbath (Gen. 2:3). The Son of Man is the Lord of the Sabbath (Matt. 12:8)

16. As discerner of the thoughts and heart (I Kings 8:39). Jesus perceived their thoughts, and said, why reason in year heart? (Luke 5:22). I am He that searcheth the hearts (Rev. 2:23).

17. As the Unchangeable One (Mal. 3:6). The same yesterday, today and for ever (Heb. 13:8). Thou art the same (Heb. 1:12).

18. As the Giver of Pastors to Churches (Jer. 3:15). He gave some Pastors (Eph. 4:11-13).

19. As the Husband of the Church (Isa. 54:5). Lamb and the Bride (Rev. 21:29; Eph. 5:25-32). 20. As Supporter and Preserver

of All Things (Neh. 9:6). By Him all things consist (Col. 1:17). Upholds all things by the word of His power (Heb. 1:3).

21. As Eternal (Isa. 9:6; Micah 5:2). Before all things (Col. 1:17). From the beginning (John 1:1). He is the beginning (Rev. 1:8).

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of the New Testament is the God of the Old Testament?

Who Is Christ?

Who is Christ anyway? Let us see in the Word of God, who He

1. He is the Creator of all things All was made by Him (Jno. 1:3; Col. 1:16). He laid the foundations of the earth (Heb. 1:8-10). He made the worlds (Heb. 1:2).

2. He is the Great God and Saviour. Looking for the glorious appearing of the Great God and Saviour Jesus Christ (Titus 2:13).

3. He is the Lord of Glory. Our Lord Jesus Christ the Lord of Glory (Jas. 2:1).

4. He is the Bread from Heav-en. He is the bread of God that came down from heaven (Jno. 6: 33).

5. He is the image of God. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 3)

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6. He is God with us. Emman-God with us (Matt. 1:23). 7. He is Eternal Life. He is true God and Eternal Life (I Jno. 5:20; John 14:6; I John 5:12;

5:20; John John 17:3).

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He is God Manifested in the Flesh. God manifested in the flesh (I Tim 3:16). The Word was made

flesh (Jno. 1:14).

9. He is the Heir of All Things. Appointed Heir of all things (Heb.

10. He is the Head of All Powers — And has All Power. He is the head of all principality — and power (Col. 2:10). Has all power heaven and earth (Matt. 28: 18)

11. He is the Judge of both the quick and the dead. Ordained Judge of quick and dead (Acts 10:42). Father committed all judgment un-

to the Son (Jno. 5:22).

12. He is a Light Brighter than the Sun. A light brighter than the noonday sun (Acts 26:13).

13. He is a Friend of Sinners. A friend of sinners (Matt. 11:10).

friend of sinners (Matt. 11:19). He came to save sinners (I Tim.

14. He is the Lamb of God. Behold the Lamb of God (Jno. 1:29). Lamb without spot (I Pet. 1:19). Lamb without blemish (I Pet. 1:

15. He is the First One. First born of every creature (Col. 1:15-18). First fruits (I Cor. 15:20). First begotten of the dead (Rev. 1:5). First and the last (Rev. 2:8).
16. He is the Unchanging One.

Same yesterday, today and forever (Heb. 13:8). 17. He is the Salvation of God

17. He is the Salvation of God Mine eyes have seen thy salvation (Luke 25:30). There is salvation in no other (Acts 4:12).

18. He is King. King of kings (Rev. 17:14). King eternal (I Tim. 1:17). King of Righteousness (Heb. 7:2).

19. He is the God of Wisdom.

In Him are hid all treasures of wisdom (Col. 2:3). He is the wisdom of God (I Cor. 1:24). He is the only wise God (Jude 25). 20. He is the Only Way to God.

I am the way; no man cometh un-to the Father but by me (Jno.

He is the Resurrection. am the Resurrection (Jno. 11:25).
22. He is the Door of Heaven. am the door (Jno. 10:9).

23. He is a Priest for ever. A

priest for ever (Heb. 7:17). makes intercession for us (Heb.

24. He is Lord of lords. He is Lord of lords (Rev. 17:14). Lord of all (Acts 10:36; Rom. 10:12). Lord of glory (I Cor. 2:8). Lord of the Sabbath (Matt. 12:8). Lord of peace (II Thess. 3:16).

25. He is the Living Word. Word made flesh (Jno. 1:14). Was handled as the Word of life (I Jno. 1:1). His name is the Word of God

26. He is the Son of God. Unto the Son He said (Heb. 1:8). Thou art the Christ the Son of the Living God (Matt. 16:16). This is my beloved Son (Matt. 3:17). Jesus Christ the Son of God (Mark 1:1). Called Son of God (Luke 1:35). Jews tried to kill Him because He said God was His Father (Jno. 5:

18). Jesus said, I am the Son of
God (Jno. 10:36; Mark 14:61, 62).

27. He is God. Emmanuel —God
with us (Matt. 1:23). Word was

God (Jno. 1:1-4). He made Himself equal with God (Jno. 10:33). My Lord and My God (Jno. 20:28). God blessed for ever (Rom. 9:5). God manifest in the flesh (I Tim. 3:16). God our Saviour (Titus 1:3 3:16). God our Saviour (Titus 1:5; Titus 2:13). He is true God (I Jno. 5:20). God my Saviour (Luke 1:46, 47). Lord God Almighty (Rev. 15:3). Mighty God (Isa. 9:6). And unto the Son, God said, "Thy throne, O God, is for ever (Heb. 1:8). (Heb. 1:8)

What Christ Claimed 1. He claimed that He came

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down from Heaven. from heaven (Jno. 6:38). I am He that came down from heaven (Jno. 6:51)

2. He Claimed to Come From God. Proceedeth forth and came from God (Jno. 8:42). I came from the Father (Jno. 16:28). As Thou hast sent me into the world (Jno. 17:18). God gave His only begotten Son (Jno. 3:16).

3. He Claimed He was the Christ or the Messiah of the Old Testa ment. I that speak unto thee am He (Jno. 4:25, 26). Thou hast said it (Matt. 26:63; 64). I am. (Mark 14:61, 62). I am He (Jno. 9:37).

4. He Claimed to be Omnipotent. Claimed to have all power in heaven and earth (Matt. 28:18). Had power over all flesh (Jno. 17:2). His miracles proved He had all

5. He Claimed to be Omnipres ent. I am with you alway (Matt. 28:20). Where two or three are gathered together in My name there am I in the midst of them (Matt. 18:20). (Matt. 18:20).

6. He Claimed to Be Omniscient. Jesus perceiving the thoughts of their hearts (Luke 9:47). Now we know Thou knowest all things (Jno. 16:30). Jesus knew all that was in man (Jno. 2:24, 25).

was in man (Jno. 2:24, 25).

7. He Claimed to be Eternal.
Before Abraham was I am (Jno.
8:56-58). Claimed to have glory
with the Father before the world
was (Jno. 17:5). Claimed that
God loved Him before the foundation of the world (Jno. 17:24).

8. He claimed He was One with

8. He claimed He was One with the Father. I and My Father are one (Jno. 10:30). I am in the Father and the Father in Me (Jno. 14:11). All that the Father has is his even as we are one (Jno. 17:21-23). Men should honor Me like My Father (Jno. 5:23). I have life in myself like My Father (Jno. 26). He that hateth Me hateth My Father (Jno. 15:23).

9. He Claimed to be the Judge of the World. God giveth all judg-ment unto His Son (Jno. 5:22-27). 10. He Claimed to be the Giver

of Life. Giveth life unto the world (Jno. 6:33).

11. He Claimed to be the Resur-rection. I am the resurrection and the life (Jno. 11:25)

12. He Claimed and Wanted Wor. ship. Claimed we should not love father and mother more than Him (Matt. 10:37). Lepers worshipped Him (Matt. 8:2). They in the ship worshipped Him (Matt. 14:22, 23). A Blind man worshipped Him (Jno.

13. He Claimed to be the Only Begotten Son of God. God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son (Jno. 3:16).

14. He Called God His Father. I and My Father (Jno. 10:30). My Father worketh hitherto, and I work (Jno. 5:17, 18). Read the whole chapter of John 17.

15. He Claimed He Always Pleased God. I do always those things that please My Father (Jno.

He Claimed to be the Only Way to God. No man cometh unto ne Father but by Me (Jno. 14:6). 17. He Claimed to be the Door of

I am the door (Jno. 10:9). 18. He Promised to Answer Prayer. Anything you ask in My name I will do it (Jno. 14:14).

19. He Promised to send the Holy

Spirit. I will send the Comforter unto you (Jno. 16:7).

20. He Promises to Come Again. I will come again (Jno. 14:3). Watch, therefore, ye know not the hour the Lord cometh (Matt. 24: hour the Lord cometh (Matt. 24:

42).
Will you believe what Christ said of Himself? Will you believe He is what He claimed to be?

The Power of Christ's Blood

1. Christ's Blood Bought His In Feed the Church of God, Church. which He hath purchased with His

own blood (Acts 20:28). 2. Christ's Blood Redeems. deemed with blood of a lamb (I Pet. 1:18, 19). In whom we have redemption through His blood (Eph. 1:7; Col. 1:14). Thou hast redeemed us to God by Thy blood (Rev. 5:9). Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us (Heb.

9:12).

The Blood Secures: The Word Assures

Evangelistic services were held in the north of Ireland, in a barn that was kindly lent by Mr. L-, a well-to-do religious farmer. He was a regular attendant at the meetings, and as the work went on and men and women confessed the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, Mr. became more and more in-Again and again he was spoken to personally about his soul's salvation, for, though a "religious" man, he did not profess to be "born again."

"I wish I could see it," he said, "for though I am persuaded that salvation by faith is Scriptural, it's

all a mystery to me."

One night the preacher spoke on the twelfth chapter of Exodus, dwelling first on the judgment of God on the unbelieving, of which the judgment of the first-born in Egypt is but a type. The three fol-lowing passages were grouped to-gether: "He that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3: 36; "He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God" (John 3:18); "He that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16).

From these Scriptures he showed that unbelief was the crowning sin
—that it was through unbelief that men and women were kept in darkness and condemnation, and in consequence of which they must

eventually be damned.

For the first time in his life Mr. L woke up to the realization of the terrible fact that he stood convicted by God as an unbeliever, and that sooner or later, if he were "converted," he would be eternally lost.

The evangelist, having dwelt on the sinner's guilt and danger spoke of God's way of saving the firstborn of Israel. Turning to the New Testament, he showed that sinners were now sheltered from God's righteous judgment against sin by hiding in Christ, the "Rock of Ages." Then he pointed out that while the sprinkled blood on the lintels and doorposts secured the safety of Israel's first-born from the death-stroke of the destroying angel, the word of Jehovah "when I see the blood I will pass over you"—afforded assurance of safety. By the "precious blood of Christ" the sinner is saved from

loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood (Rev. 1:5). Robes washed white in the blood of the Lamb (Rev. 7:14).

4. Christ's Blood Brings Us Near to God. But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were afar off are made nigh by the blood of Christ (Eph. 2:13).

5. Christ's Blood Has Made Peace for Us. Having made peace through the blood of His cross (Col. 1:20).

6. Christ's Blood Reconciles. Reconciled by His blood (Col. 1:

7. Christ's Blood Justifies. Being now justified by His Blood (Rom.

8. Christ's Blood Sanctifies. Wherefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate (Heb. 13:12).

9. Christ's Blood Permits Us to Go Direct to God. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jewis (Heb. 10:19) (Heb. 10:19)

10. Christ's Blood Overcomes for Us. And they overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testi-mony (Rev. 12:11). 11. Christ's Blood Forgives Sin.

have through His blood; the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace (Eph. 1:7). 12. Christ's Blood Shed Once and

For Ever. Once and for all (Heb. 10:10). Once and for ever (Heb. 9:26)

13. No Salvation Apart from the Blood of Christ. The life is in the blood. It is the blood that maketh atonement for the soul (Lev. 17: 11). Without the shedding of blood there is no remission (Heb. 9:22). Only Christ's blood cleaseth from

all sin (I John 1:7).

14. The Danger of Mocking Christ's Blood. How much sore punishment for those who mock 3. Christ's Blood Cleanses or Washes Us. The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin (I Jno. 1:7). Unto Him that Christ's blood. Read Heb. 10:28, 29.

the coming wrath and judgment; and by the spoken Word of God he is assured that he will "never perish" nor "come into condemna-tion" on account of his numerous and aggravated sins (John 5:24; Acts 13:38, 39).

As the servant of Christ ex-plained and expounded these pre-As the cious facts, the light of the glo-rious Gospel of God entered Mr. L——'s soul. "Oh, I see!" he said to himself; "It's the blood that seares and the Word that assures Then he believed that the Lord died for him and bore sin's penalty, and he had the Word of "saved," and "justified."

Some time after this the evan-

gelist stood by Mr. L—'s death-bed. "Now that you are about to pass into eternity," he said, "tell me on what you are resting."

"I'm going into eternity resting on the blood of the Lamb of God and upon the Word of God."

Now, reader, can you say that you are resting for security of salvation upon the shed blood of the Lamb of God? If you cannot say this, it matters not what may be your religious profession or to whatever amount of works or feelings you may be able to point, there is great reason to fear that you re never yet been saved. is the decisive question for you to answer: Are you trusting in the answer: Are you trusting in the blood? Oh, dear friend, let me exhort you, as you love your own soul, and do not wish to suffer the torments of hell forever, never do you rest another moment until you can say with the most positive certainty, I am trusting in the blood. Let not Satan persuade you that

because you are a professor — a church member — that you therefore need not be much concerned about deciding this matter. Thousands of "church members" are going down to Hell because they trust something else rather than the blood; then see to it that you stop not short of this.

All who trust are perfectly se cure from the judgment which awaits the wicked; it is the blood which makes them so. And as to the assurance of this fact, it is not their feelings, work or obedience which gives it, but it is simply the Word of God. Christ says, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that be-lieveth on me HATH everlasting life," (John 5:24). So for the one who is trusting the blood ever to doubt his being saved for all eter-nity is just simply to disbelieve the Word of Him who has saved him Such unbelief is indeed the greatest of all presumption, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, silver and gold . . . but with the precious blood of Christ" (I Pet. 1:18, 19).

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